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EQUALIZE BY TAXATION

Our attention was caught last week by the statement in an exchange that "about four persons carry the major portion of Fort Myers taxes," and the statement had such implications that we pounced upon it to blazon it and attract attention to it and enforce correction or compel an ear.

The Fort Myers Tropical News explains. Mayor Pritch of Fort Myers told a gathering in that city, it says, that eleven of the city's largest taxpayers "represented property paying about a fourth of the municipal taxes."

We've got that right.

The statement about the 11 and the one-fourth does not answer the question, however, that it is an arbitrary condition of an estimate group as eleven out of the real estate in a town like Fort Myers. If the ratio of 11 to one-fourth has any significance at all, the condition of the remaining three-fourths of the property of the remaining population is more significant, for by the mathematics of it there are many propertyless residents.

We doubt that this is wholly a matter of taxation on real estate; we suspect there is some other reason why one-fourth of the taxable property of Fort Myers is concentrated in the hands of 11 persons, for unless there is something abnormal in it, it is representative of towns of that size throughout the United States. If the ratio of 11 to one-fourth has any significance at all, the condition of the remaining three-fourths of the property of the remaining population is more significant, for by the mathematics of it there are many propertyless residents.

We believe that disclosure of a state-wide condition is made in the Fort Myers instance a condition that exists in Canal Point, Pahokee, West Palm Beach and elsewhere; that is, that real estate is held at a price higher than its value. There is a marked disproportion between the price of real estate and the ability of residents to buy it at the prices at which it is held. The owners keep on holding it at high prices, but the assessor can do nothing else than assess it at a valuation which has its basis in the representations of value made by the owners. The high valuation of real estate tempts the use of real estate as the almost exclusive source of public revenue. The holder of real estate who has fixed a high valuation for sales purpose it literally blows up by his extortion.

Selling real estate has been over-played as a Florida industry; it was over-played before the real estate boom, and owners of real

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estate still have a picture of values that is a distortion.

This was what was the matter with the Everglades and what is the matter with Everglades drainage district. The land was not worth, in the first place, what the sellers said it was worth; the buyers did not want to contend they paid too much; their desire to resell for gain led them to buy the land in school at a price of inflated value the indebtedness of bond issues was laid. The whole thing started wrong; it will continue to be wrong, there is a confession of the error.

There is a distinct relation between the \$45-a-week mortgage on the property and the value of the owner and the selling price of the lot on which the home is to be built. The mortgage is repaid because town and city lots are held at prices that make who gets \$45 a week wages for the mortgage. The owner insists that the lot is worth \$1,000 when by the standards fixed in experience and by necessity the value is only \$250. The owner must expect the assessor and the public to call upon him to pay taxes on the value of his declaration and argument.

Taxes and death are the sure equalizers. The solution of the tax problem in towns, cities, counties and the state is to continue taxing real estate on the basis of the owner's valuation, that is, the decrease in value will result; lowering of value for taxation will follow, taxes will be less, and in the lack of taxes from real estate taxes and permit the owner to hold his prices at the level fixed by his greed, that is not right and it is not a solution in Fort Myers or anywhere else.

ROAD AND DRAINAGE CASES IN CIRCUIT COURT

Representatives of special road and bridge district No. 22 have been ordered by the circuit court to appear before the court on October 6 in the quo warranto proceedings brought by Louis G. Freeman in which it is charged that the district is unlawfully occupying powers of a special road and bridge district over its property.

A similar case which was brought by Douglas S. Graham and wife against R. Y. Patterson, R. G. Johnson and W. P. Jernigan as supervisors of the Pahokee drainage district, the supervisors entered a plea denying they are exercising power unlawfully over the complainant's lands and asserting that they have treated all land holders in the Pahokee drainage district fairly and without favoritism.

EAGLE BAY DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the owners of lands in Eagle Bay district will be held Friday, October 4, at 2 o'clock in the Okeechobee county court house. Two supervisors are to be elected. Frank O. Collins is the secretary.

That's Parking Space

Parking space outside of a spot about 12 feet long that was occupied by the other fellow just as he was over-played before the real estate boom, and owners of real

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L. L. Shirley has returned from a visit to Van Wert, Ohio, where he took his wife and son for a visit at their old home. On his return he was accompanied by his wife's brother, Arthur Havens of Van Wert, who for three years has been in school at the University of Wisconsin and will be paid a business trip to West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shirley returned from their vacation Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith returned to Fort Lauderdale Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Shive has reopened her lunch stand for the benefit of the school children.

Gary Sandy of Moore Haven visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Casper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Guthrie and children of Cleveland spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Crosby and family.

Mr. Charles Moran and Mrs. S. B. Stuckey entertained their Sunday school classes with a party Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shirley returned from their vacation Wednesday.

Mrs. J. E. Spooner, Mrs. O. E. Nelson, Mrs. Paul, Miss Lois and Mrs. A. B. Padgett, spent Wednesday in Miami.

Miss Bill Stuckey, Mrs. Charles Moran, Mrs. W. O. Coffin, Miss Bernice Stuckey, Miss Alice Padgett and Lily Padgett, motored to West Palm Beach Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Croel and Bob Jones are spending several weeks in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Coffin and children returned Monday night from their vacation.

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The owner's Own Column

To most of us who had to stay here all summer it's been pretty hard to keep in a good humor; living in hurricane season on the edge of a lake that has drowned 2,500 persons even when it was four feet lower than it is now, suits me the least. This summer I've "killed" more copy than I've printed, because I've written a good deal of stuff that was the product of my own mind, which I've accepted and interdicted before it got into print. If some of the stuff I've printed is mean, you just ought to know what I went through. The copy that was written for this space this week proved on re-reading to be too mean to print. But something had to be used to fill up on something that was not in type. On a search for something there was found on a storage gallery the part of an article that was started a year ago and never completed. Whatever point was to have been made in that article, started a year ago, is now forgotten; but here it is, admittedly used merely as a filler.

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COMMUNITY GOOD INTERESTS CLUB

Presiding at the meeting of Pahokee Rotary Club Friday as vice president, W. P. Jernigan, Jr., chairman of the committee on community service, said that this is primarily a farming community, and that the club should be devoted to assisting the community in the best way possible. He suggested that study be made of means of making more immediately available to farmers all of the information that is available to the community agent and the staffs of the cane testing station and the Everglades experiment station.

Mr. Jernigan made clear the attitude of Rotary to community enterprises by reading extracts from the laws of the organization, as follows:

"To prevent Rotary clubs from being swayed by passing enthusiasms and to prevent the club from being established by convention action."

"(a) Because of the limited membership of Rotary only a community where there is no adequate civic or other organization in a position to speak and act for the whole community, the Rotary club engage in a general community service activity that requires for its active support of the entire citizenship of the community, and where a chamber of commerce exists, a Rotary club should not trespass upon or assume its functions, but, as individuals, committee to and trained in the principle of community service, and active in their chamber of commerce and as citizens of their community, be interested in every general community service enterprise, and, as far as their individual efforts permit, their part in money and service."

"(b) As a general thing, no Rotary club should endorse any project, no matter how good, unless the club is prepared and willing to assume all or part of the responsibility for the accomplishment of that which it endorses."

"(c) A Rotary club, in selecting an activity, should seek neither popularity nor publicity, but only the opportunity to serve."

"(d) A Rotary club should avoid duplication of effort and in general should engage in an activity that is already being well handled by some other agency."

"(e) A Rotary club in its activities should preferably co-operate with existing agencies, but where necessary may create new agencies, but such agencies are insufficient to accomplish their purpose. It is better for a Rotary club to improve an existing agency than to create a new and duplicative agency."

"(f) In all its activities a Rotary club acts best and is most successful as a propaganda. A Rotary club discovers a need but, the responsibility is that of the entire community, and it is not alone to remedy it but to awaken alone to the necessity of the remedy, seeking to arouse the community to its responsibility, and that this responsibility may be placed not on Rotary alone but on the entire community where it belongs, and while Rotary may initiate and lead in the work it should endeavor to secure the cooperation of all other organizations that ought to be interested and should seek to give them full credit, even minimizing the credit to which the Rotary club itself is entitled."

"Age and Youth
"Age speaks words of wisdom,"
—H. H. H., the sage of Chautauque
—"Youth, as in previous generations,
is that which sets the fashion,"
—Washington Star.

Sanctus Claus, for instance
There are people who argue that
honesty and honesty are the same
when proved false, should be preserved
and repeated for the inspiration
they lend.—Woman's Home
Companion.

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DAMPING-OFF SOON STOPPED BY ORGANIC MERCURY COMPOUND

GAINESVILLE.—Damping-off of young seedlings can be stopped in a short time by soaking the seedling soil with one of the organic mercury compounds, according to Dr. G. F. Weber, associate plant pathologist at the Florida Experiment Station.

The disease is caused by one of several fungi which attack the plant, causing it to become weak at the base of the stem and fall over. It will not likely occur in seedbeds where the soil was properly sterilized and the seed well disinfected.

In case the disease does show up it can be checked within 24 to 36 hours by wetting the top half inch of soil with a one-fourth of one per cent solution of one of the organic mercury disinfectants, he said.

The disease is usually handled by seed dealers and drugists, and full directions are given on the cans. Dr. Weber suggested the use of a garden sprayer for applying the solution.

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REALTY TRANSFERS

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By Refrigeration

the old style boxes, with 50 per cent less consumption of ice.

"Ice not only makes for the health of the family by preserving foods properly," continued Mr. Pool, "but also makes possible a well balanced diet of fresh foods in and out of season, through transportation in ice cars and preservation in the new standardized home refrigerators. The ice is not only pure, but is furnished with all the natural water vegetable matter found in it, or being made of dead distilled water, the manufacturers have developed a process of purifying and purifying so that the ice is purer and more wholesome than the average drinking water. Agitation while the ice is made in modern ice crystal clear in contrast to the old milky, soft variety.

people are using ice rather than an increased consumption by previous users. The ice industry in this country represents an investment of \$1,052,000,000, and its annual pay roll exceeds \$50,000,000. In spite of the enormity of this industry, only about 50 per cent of the homes in the United States have refrigeration, 93 per cent of which is done with ice."

"When one realizes that 80 per cent of Florida's crops travel over one thousand miles to market, the

manufacture of ice as a vital factor in the agricultural development of Florida is apparent," declared Mr. Pool. "One and one-half million carloads of perishable produce are shipped from grower

to consumer annually, about one million of which require ice to insure delivery in good condition. Add to these the three hundred and sixty-five thousand cars of packing house products shipped each year, and one has a picture of the enormous quantity of nutritive calories and life-giving vitamins that are saved for the American people, regardless of geographical location, through the use of ice.

"The loss of food through the lack of proper refrigeration in

American homes reaches the staggering sum of \$700,000,000 annually. While up to 1925 little thought had been given to the construction of the ice box or refrigerator, the National Association of Ice Industries, during that year, made a widespread and thorough investigation of the refrigerator and its relation to this excessive loss of food. In conjunction with the Columbia University Research Bureau, they formulated a standard

specifications for the construction and insulation of ice refrigerators. New refrigerators, built according to these new standards, will maintain a lower temperature and a better circulation of air than

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Transporting Pupils

There are persons who believe it is illegal as well as unwise to let the county school board to pay for the transportation of school children, and the question has been put into the court in Brevard county by a group of taxpayers who seek to enjoin the county from paying for such transportation for school children. Some 11 or 12 years ago the cost of pupils' transportation got to be a public scandal in Palm Beach county, and the reform was brought about. The transportation of school children does not meet public opinion in the Everglades. The plan of transporting pupils is objected to. If the decision in this case in Brevard county is adverse to the payment of school funds for such hire, the decision unquestionably will be followed in the Everglades to require the establishing of more schools.

Busted Drainage District
The Melbourne-Tillman drainage district is in the hands of a receiver appointed by a federal judge. The receiver of the district is selling many tracts of land for delinquent taxes. Owners of land in Pahokee district and the other districts around Lake Okechobee had better pay their drainage taxes if they want to keep their farms. Federal judges often are hard-boiled, and when they act,

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BELLE GLADE

Mrs. Clara Morris was hostess Thursday evening at a farewell party given by the Belle-Glade Club in honor of Eric Hartline of South Bay, who left Friday for Nashville, Tenn., where he will attend an auto motor school. He plans to spend a few days on route in Alabama with relatives. Games and dancing furnished the entertainment of the evening. Those attending were: Beatrice Denton, Margaret Hooker, Edith Willis, Berta McEwen, Parula and Rose, Altham, cousins of the hostess, Hans Stein, James Taylor, Frank Willis, M. Louis Solomon and the guest of honor Eric Hartline. Late in the evening refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parker and Lavin returned Friday from their two months' visit in Kansas and Missouri. They were accompanied by Mrs. Allen Greer and children. The homeward trip was broken by stops at various points of interest. Mrs. M. C. Eggleston, who returned Sunday from Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Browne and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Taylor made a pleasure trip to Miami Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. Buck is here for a short visit before going to New York where she will visit her brother and nephew.

County Superintendent Youngblood and wife called upon friends here Sunday. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bessant.

A farewell party for Jackie Brown was given Monday night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Creach, Jr. The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. George Davis. A variety of interesting games furnished fun for the evening and refreshments were served. Those present beside the guest of honor were: Billy and Juanita Bessant, Marjorie Harris, Virginia and Grover Odell, Edna, Ruth and Dwight Hoch, Clara Belle Stuart and Thomas Creach. The following day Mrs. Creach took Jack to West Palm Beach where she took the train for St. Augustine to continue her special school work. She was glad to greet many of her former classmates on the train. Mrs. Allen Greer and Miss Alice Reed accompanied Mrs. Creach to West Palm Beach.

The Belle Glade school began the fall term in a fine way Monday with Miss Bertha Allen, principal, and Miss Irene Williams and H. M. Webb, teachers in charge.

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There were 56 enrolled the first day, while others entered later in the week. Six grades are taught in this school. The teachers were glad to note the number of parents present, showing their interest and cooperation for a successful school year. Miss Williams and Mr. Webb are stopping at the Lawrence Bessant home.

Mrs. K. C. Alston has become a cross word puzzle addict and is very efficient.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mulikin of West Palm Beach and H. M. Webb were dinner guests of Mrs. Lawrence Bessant Sunday.

Fon Cherry and son (Ned) of Fort Lauderdale spent Wednesday and Thursday at the Joe Givley home. They came to get a drig store at Pahokee this week.

The American Legion Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon with the president, Mrs. H. T. White. Plans were made for a party to be held at the Legion hall Thursday night when they will listen to the national convention of the American Legion. Refreshments will be served and this will be a benefit affair for the Auxiliary and the Legion. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Carl Hainey of Lake Worth was in Belle Glade Monday.

The H. E. Jones family has returned to Belle Glade to spend the summer. They enjoyed the summer in their Lake Worth home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Lee and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Williams made a pleasure trip to Miami Sunday.

L. C. Betzner is moving his hardware stock to his new quarters in the Walter Greer building on the main street. He will probably be thoroughly established in his new location by the middle of next week. H. L. Harris has installed the shoving and it offers a neat and convenient arrangement.

Ivan L. Smith and Joe Stetel, who have been working on a large contract in Jonesboro, Ga. for several months, are back in Belle Glade.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McLemore and children spent the week end in Miami with Mrs. McLemore's mother, Mrs. Shepherd. The celebration books are here and those who wish to qualify to vote should register before the first Monday in October. C. E. Reidel is in charge.

Lee Lewis, formerly connected with Mack's shoe store, here is now operating a shop at Brown Farms.

Evelyn Fisher, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Fisher, has been suffering from an enlarged gland of the neck the past week and under the care of the doctor.

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SOUTH BAY

September 16.

The Ladies' Aid of the Community church met Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. C. E. Forbes. During the devotional services, Mrs. G. J. Bartow gave a short talk on the struggle of the South Bay labor in factories, mines, etc. Since this was the last meeting for the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. J. M. Templeton, president; Mrs. H. C. Willis, vice president; Mrs. E. F. Forbes, secretary; treasurer: Mrs. C. E. Farnum, chairman of the play committee was presented and presented new plans for putting on the "Bean Town Baby Show" in the immediate future. This promises to be one of the best programs put on by the Ladies' Aid for a long time and is sure to be a huge success.

At the close of the business session refreshments were served by the hostess and a splendid collection taken for the benefit of the Aid. Members present at the meeting were Mrs. J. R. Hoch, Mrs. E. Forbes, Mrs. H. C. Willis, Mrs. C. E. Farnum, Mrs. J. Bartow, Mrs. M. L. Ravie, Mrs. P. W. Mutchler and Mrs. C. E. Forbes. School opened Monday as scheduled. The first nine grades will be pleasantly surprised Monday evening. H. Wyse is principal again this year and will be assisted in the junior high school by F. B. Nance.

Miss Clements assisted by Mrs. Willis have charge of the grammar grades. Miss Noll who was to have resigned last week to accept a position with the state and will be located at Orlando. Mrs. J. R. Hoch of Belle Glade, who is in charge for the present until a regular teacher can be appointed to fill the vacancy.

The pupils enrolled in the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades will go by bus to Pahokee for the senior high work. Melvin Herring has the contract to drive the bus. Students going from here are: W. Willis, Melvin Herring, Gladys Stewart, Evelyn Herring, Alice Willis, Opal Franz and Frances Ratley.

Capt. E. E. Forbes was very eloquent in his address Monday evening when his friends gathered in the evening for a bridge game in honor of his birthday.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Farnum, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bartow, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mutchler, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. George Alberts, Capt. and Mrs. E. E. Forbes and William Willis.

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and all those who use the highway will have reason to appreciate the new crossing.

F. B. Nance, member of the junior high school faculty at Pahokee, Nance moved out last week from West Palm Beach and took up their residence in the Walter Templeton home.

Roy Booths has accepted a position with the Bryan-Holloway people and is working on one of their big dredges.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Herring and family, who have spent the summer on the coast, moved out Saturday and took up their residence once more in South Bay to be ready for the school year.

John Peter Johnson of Miami Lock who died last week was buried in West Palm Beach Monday at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Lorrain attended the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morris made a trip to West Palm Beach Sunday to do some shopping.

G. J. Bartow accompanied by Carl and Ruth made a hurried business trip to Orlando the latter part of the week.

Mr. Shipping agent for the Florida East Coast railroad at Lake Harbor last year, came down on a boat from Titusville last week, in hopes to farm the railroad land adjacent to the lock this coming winter.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Bartow and family, Alice Willis, Ruth Hoch and Willie Herring moved to Pahokee Sunday afternoon for salt bathing.

Richard Morris pulled a car belonging to Mr. Hiker of West Palm Beach over the salt marsh at Miami Lock one day last week.

The bean harvest is beginning in the field Tuesday morning in a patch of beans on the east side of the Belle Glade-Pahokee road near Belle Glade. There are quite a few scattered bean fields between Clewiston and Pahokee within sight of the road and farmers generally are getting out their tractors and farm machinery and running down their fields preparatory to plowing.

If weather conditions permit, the fall planting will be in full swing within a very short time.

Community Church Services 10 a. m. Sunday worship, Rev. J. R. Hoch, pastor.

11 a. m. Sunday school, L. J. Cowen, superintendent.

10 p. m. Epworth League, Raymond Willard, president.

2:30 p. m. Tuesday, September 16, Ladies' Aid at home of Mrs. C. E. Forbes, Mrs. J. R. Hoch, president.

KEELANTA

September 16.

The Anjuna family returned to their home here last Saturday after an absence of some months on the coast. Express and ingress from the road to the house is accomplished by boat.

Peter Knutson, Ed Cowell, Wm. Norton and V. W. Roth were Okelanta's representatives at the mass meeting in Belle Glade last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton and wife were visitors here last Sunday afternoon. They were accompanied by Mr. Denton's grandmother, 86 years old. The aged lady still takes a keen interest in life. "You have quite a rough road," was one of her remarks to friends. It is a lamentable state of official neglect that makes motoring to our town a painful experience to those advanced in years.

The very heavy and regular rainfall during last six days has raised the water level four inches. Several of the Norton children have been on the sick list lately.

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The only vehicle, a truck from the experiment station driven by L. L. Lont, distributed the calm of our traffic cop the last two weeks.

The Norton family was visited by their daughter Lida Mae and husband last Sunday. The newly married couple make their home near Palm Beach.

The recent forecast of a tropical hurricane in the offing, members in the West Indies, caused considerable apprehension, due largely to the high lake level at this time. The trap is set; the elements will bring it and the drowning of a few hundred more will be charged to the act of God by those responsible for drainage and flood control.

Will Norton had the good luck of killing an eight-foot alligator recently, besides "discovering" a whole "setting" of alligator eggs. E. J. Cooper and wife, with V. W. Roth were dinner guests at the Cove's Sunday. A good chicken dinner was enjoyed.

During the past week the water has perceptibly lowered, but no dry ground is yet visible between Okelanta and South Bay. Even with the most favorable weather trucking operations will be impossible before the end of this month.

An enterprising eastern farmer, to boost his business, coined the expression, "Say it with flowers." It is a beautiful slogan, but the long suffering settlers of the upper Everglades, once more threatened with death and destruction, have in righteous indignation changed

it to "Say it with dynamite." "Say it with dynamite" is the only answer to those state officials who surreptitiously sanction the unlawful obstruction of any of the Everglades drainage arteries by the North River or the Miami canal. The most revered document to have been read by these gentilemen in high places, who are sworn to safeguard "the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness" of the American citizen, "Are those to perish," according to our State's Attorney General Davis who from the offices of the United States have invested their money in the Everglades, a public confiscatory taxes on the land and have established homes to 20 years and have lands for sale. It is an appeal to the Supreme Court of our Nation necessary to define the rights of citizenship in this state under the constitution.

Significance exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people," says the Bible. Robbery, double dealing, graft, murder and corruption do not promote property. Our financial bankruptcy has been preceded by a moral one; the former is only the result of the latter.

Why this evident discrimination? This correspondent never leaves a successful public highway running east and west from South Bay to motor to Okelanta, four miles south, without a feeling of amazement. A ride over this short stretch of an utterly neglected road, shakes the "glaziers" out of one, and wrings from the prayer: "Lord, grant us these unfaithful public servants better minds, or bring them to an untimely end and an evil death."

THIRD MEETING AT BELLE GLADE RENEWS DEMAND

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This, he believed, would cost little, and would appeal to barbed-wire builders, who might help him. But he believed, these Glades people would not insist on a dam in the North canal, to make a dam of it, and upon Glades people had less keenly about the barricade.

H. H. Hart led the discussion opposing such concessions, and favoring an aggressive attack on the barricade. The discussion was participated in by V. W. Roth, G. A. Hubbell, Ross Winn, Wm. Willis, Sam'l R. Copper, Mr. Norton, Mr. Gerritt, Frank Lockmiller, Howard Sharp and others. Thereupon, the following letter was approved, addressed to Marcus A. Miami vice chairman, Everglades district:

"An citizens and settlers of the upper Everglades and the Miami River canals to the Tamiami Trail Everglades taxpayers, we respectfully call your attention to the barricade from the North River canal to the Tamiami Trail consisting of a system of dams across canals and levees connecting those canals whereby the drainage of the west half of Palm Beach county, for which Ever-

glades land-owners have long paid and whose completion years ago, they were assured, when buying their lands, is now largely blocked; and is far inferior to the drainage enjoyed ten years ago; unless you can find and provide some other practicable means of egress for these waters precipitated below the lake, you will take steps to see that the above barricade is promptly removed."

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